



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 02-285-A)

PATENT

Application of:

Paver et al.

Serial No. 10/771,088, claiming priority

To parent application filed November 18, 2002

Filed: February 3, 2004

For: Bearing Component Masking Unit

Before the Examiner:
K. Jolley

Group Art Unit: 1762

Commissioner of Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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In regard to the above-identified patent application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
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RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 9, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Pursuant to revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including cancelled and pending claims, beginning at page 2.

The Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.